

## REMARKS

### Restriction Requirement

The Examiner has issued a restriction requirement in the instant application and divided the claims into two groups. Group I includes claims 1-15, 17, and 18, drawn to a method of growing eukaryotic cells in vitro on a stomach submucosa substrate. Group II includes claims 16, 19, and 20, drawn to a method for growing *H. pylori* prokaryotic cells in vitro on a stomach submucosa substrate. Applicants elect the Group I claims.

### Amendments to the claims

Claims 1-20 have been cancelled without prejudice. Claims 21-36 are new. The new claims find support throughout the specification. In particular, the claims find support in the specification as follows: claim 21, page 5 in paragraph 2; claim 22, page 7 in paragraph 3; claim 23, page 5 in the second paragraph; claim 24, page 8 in line 2; claim 25, page 8, line 7; claim 26, page 5 in the second full paragraph; claim 27, page 7 line 19; claim 28, page 5, in paragraph 2 and page 10, lines 4-12; claim 29, page 7 in paragraph 3; claim 30, page 5 in the second paragraph; claims 31 and 32, page 5, paragraph 2, claim 33, page 5 in the second full paragraph; claim 34, page 7, line 19; claim 35, page 5 in the second full paragraph; and claim 36, page 7, line 19.

### Conclusion

Applicants believe that the claims, as amended herein, are in condition for allowance and respectfully request allowance of the claims, and passage of the application to issuance.

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